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Intelligence service career helps unravel Oswald riddle

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Edward Ellis Smith, former marriage to a Russian girl and Army, State Department and their hastily arranged exit from Central Intelligence Agency the Soviet Union. (CIA) security-intelligence officer, believes accused assassin Smith, 42, of 1849 Webster St., Palo Alto, was graduated Phi Lee Harvey Oswald was a Beta Kappa from the University of West Virginia in 1939 trained Soviet agent, although not acting on orders when he with a degree in political science. shot President John F. Kennedy.

In the third of a series of exclusive articles in today's Times, Smith attempts to unravel the unprecedented circumstances surrounding Oswald's

In World War II, he was decorated three times with the Bronze Star for valor in combat in the European theater.

After a stint with Supreme Allied Headquarters after the war, Smith was returned to the Pentagon and assigned as chief of the political - economic Russian section in G2. He studied Russian at the naval Intelligence Language School, and in 1948 was posted at the American Embassy, Moscow, as assistant military attache and assistant economic attache.

SECURITY OFFICER

In 1950, Smith returned home and was placed on detached service with an intelligence unit in the Pentagon. In 1953, as a major, he resigned from the Army, and joined the State Department as a foreign service staff officer. In 1954, he went back to Moscow as the State

Department's first full-time security officer at the American Embassy.

In 1956, after resigning from the State Department, he joined the CIA as a specialist in Russian affairs. He quit in 1962 to embark on a new career as independent writer and lecturer.



OSWALD'S WIFE
Mrs. Marina Oswald